

CLAIMS

What is claimed as being new and desired to be protected by LETTERS PATENT of the United States is as follows:

1. (Original) A collision and theft alert system for allowing a user to safely and efficiently notify occupants in nearby vehicles or structures when an emergency has taken place comprising, in combination:

a vehicle having a passenger compartment and an airbag deployment system and a power source and at least one window and a communications system coupled to an existing Global Positioning System, known as GPS, the vehicle also having at least one keypad located in the passenger compartment of the vehicle, the keypad being capable of sending a signal;

an airbag sensor being operatively coupled to an existing airbag deployment system, the airbag sensor being capable of detecting and sending a signal when the airbag is deployed;

a window sensor being operatively coupled to a vehicle window, the window sensor being capable of detecting and sending a signal when the vehicle window is broken;

a processor being operatively coupled to the airbag sensor and to the window sensor and to the power source and to the keypad, the processor capable of receiving an incoming signal and sending an outgoing signal, the processor receiving an incoming signal from the airbag sensor when the airbag is deployed, the

processor also receiving an incoming signal from the window sensor when the window is broken, the processor also receiving an incoming signal from the keypad when a specific emergency code is entered in the keypad, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal when an incoming signal is received from any sensor, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal to activate the communication system of the vehicle to transmit the GPS location of the vehicle at the time of the processor sending an outgoing signal; and

at least one telescoping, high intensity strobe light having a nesting tube, the strobe light having a non-deployed state in which the strobe is contained within the nesting tube and the light does not flash, the strobe light also having a deployed state in which the strobe protrudes from the nesting tube and the light flashes, the strobe being operatively coupled to the processor to allow the strobe light to be activated and deployed when the strobe light receives an outgoing signal from the processor.

2. (Currently Amended) A collision and theft alert system comprising, in combination:

a vehicle having a passenger compartment and a power source and at least one keypad being capable of sending a user generated signal and a plurality of emergency sensors, each capable ~~or~~ of sending an emergency signal upon the occurrence of an emergency;

a processor being operatively coupled to the power source and to the keypad and to the emergency sensors, the processor capable of receiving an incoming signal and sending an outgoing signal, the processor receiving a user generated incoming signal from the keypad by a user, the processor receiving an emergency generated incoming signal from any of the emergency sensors when an emergency is detected by an emergency sensor when a specific emergency code is entered in the keypad, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal when an incoming signal is received from any sensor; and

at least one strobe light, the strobe light having a non-deployed non-emergency withdrawn and encased state and the strobe light having a deployed emergency extended state, with the strobe light flashing in the deployed emergency extended state, the strobe being operatively coupled to the processor for activating the strobe light and the displayed state upon the receipt of any of a plurality of outgoing signals from the processor.

3. (Currently Amended) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 2 wherein the system further comprises:

an airbag deployment system in the vehicle;

an airbag sensor being operatively coupled to the airbag deployment system, the airbag sensor being capable of detecting and sending an emergency signal when the airbag is deployed and wherein the processor is operatively coupled to the airbag sensor

and to the power source and to the keypad, the processor capable of receiving an incoming emergency signal and sending an outgoing signal, the processor capable of receiving an incoming user generated signal, the processor also being capable of receiving an incoming signal from the airbag sensor when the airbag is deployed, the processor also capable of receiving an incoming signal from the keypad when a specific emergency code is entered in the keypad, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal when an incoming signal is received from any sensor; and

wherein the strobe light is coupled to the processor and capable of being activated upon receipt of an outgoing signal from the processor.

4. (Previously Presented) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 2 wherein the system further comprises:

the vehicle having at least one window;

a window breakage sensor being operatively coupled to a vehicle window and to the vehicle power source, the window sensor being capable of detecting and sending a signal when the vehicle window is broken;

a processor being operatively coupled to the window sensor and to the power source, the processor capable of receiving an incoming signal and sending an outgoing signal, the processor

receiving an incoming signal from the window sensor when the window is broken, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal when an incoming signal is received from any sensor, the processor also being capable of sending an outgoing signal; and

at least one strobe light, the strobe being coupled to the processor to allow the strobe light to be activated when the strobe light receives an outgoing signal from the processor.

5. (Previously Presented) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 2 wherein the system further comprises:

the vehicle having a communications system being operatively coupled to a Global Positioning System, known as GPS;

a processor being operatively coupled the communications system, the processor capable of receiving an incoming signal and sending an outgoing signal, the processor being capable of sending an outgoing signal to activate the communication system of the vehicle to transmit the GPS location of the vehicle at the time of the processor sending an outgoing signal; and

at least strobe light, the strobe light being operatively coupled to the processor to allow the strobe light to be activated upon receiving an outgoing signal from the processor.

6. (Original) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 2 wherein the strobe light is a telescoping,

high intensity strobe light having a nesting tube being operatively coupled to the vehicle, the strobe light having a non-deployed state in which the strobe is contained within the nesting tube and the light does not flash, the strobe light also having a deployed state in which the strobe protrudes from the nesting tube and the light flashes, the strobe being operatively coupled to the processor to allow the strobe light to be activated and deployed when the strobe light receives an outgoing signal from the processor.

7. (Original) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 6 wherein there are a plurality of strobe lights being operatively coupled to the vehicle at a plurality of locations.

8. (Original) A collision and theft alert system as described in Claim 2 wherein the system further comprises:

a vehicle having a passenger compartment and a non-passenger compartment;

a plurality of keypads with at least one keypad, a first keypad being located in the passenger compartment of the vehicle and a second keypad being operatively coupled to the processor, the second keypad being located in the non-passenger compartment of a vehicle.